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SUBJECT: BUNDESBANK PROVIDES LIQUIDITY SUPPORT FOR BANKS

- 1. AT TODAY'S MEETING THE CENTRAL BANK COUNCIL OF THE BUNDESBANK ANNOUNCED THE FOLLOWING:
  - (A) EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, THE BANKS' MINIMUM RESERVE RATIOS WILL BE REDUCED BY 10 PERCENT.
    THIS WOULD RELEASE DM 4.5 BILLION FROM THE BANKS' REQUIRED RESERVES.
  - (B) EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, THE BANKS' REDISCOUNT QUOTAS WILL BE INCREASED BY ABOUT DM 2 BILLION.
- 2. IN A SHORT COMMENT THE COUNCIL

STATED THAT THIS WOULD HELP THE BANKS TO REDUCE BORROW-ING FROM THE LOMBARD FACILITY AND THE SPECIAL REDISCOUNT FACILITY. UNDER THE LATTER FACILITY THE BUNDESBANK PURCHASES FROM BANKS BILLS ABOVE THEIR NORMAL REDISCOUNT QUOTAS FOR A PERIOD OF 10 DAYS AT AN INTEREST RATE OF 3 1/2 PERCENT. ON AUGUST 15, 1977, THE BANKS' LOMBARD UNCLASSIFIED

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BORROWINGS AMOUNTED TO DM 2.1 BILLION AND THEIR BORROWINGS MADE UNDER THE SPECIAL REDISCOUNT FACILITY TO DM 5.4 BILLION.

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